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PROJECT: Increase Membership in National Nexus Program

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The purpose of this project is to identify the barriers to state membership in the National Nexus Program and propose solutions to remove those barriers. The project will also identify the program characteristics that attract states to become members. See project description for more details.

TARGET COMPLETION DATE: January 31, 2015

HIGH-LEVEL PROJECT TIME LINE:

- October 2014 First team meeting (teleconference). Review project description and project plan and make needed changes. Discuss research tools to use – email survey; telephone survey; in-depth interviews; which states to contact; questions to be asked. Assign tasks: in depth survey question development. Meeting held 10-14-14
- Late October 2014 Teleconference. Decide on research tool(s) and process. Finalize
 research questions and states to contact. Assign tasks: Who to contact, time frame for
 contacts and reporting results. Meeting held 10-29-14
- Mid-November 2014 Teleconference. Discuss and decide what to report to Nexus Committee during December meeting in Nashville. Discuss any questions about survey process. Meeting held 11-19-14
- December 11, 2014 Nexus Committee Meeting, Nashville. Progress report to Nexus Committee. Questions about barriers and benefits to membership.
- December 16, 2014 Teleconference to review research results and feedback from Nexus Committee. Develop initial list of barriers to membership and benefits of membership. Discuss possible recommendations for action and contents of final report. Discuss potential criteria for evaluation of project recommendations.
- January 2015 Review and revise draft report on project results. Adopt final report.